

In the Claims:

1-34. (Cancelled).

35. (New) A method for playing media, the method comprising:
displaying a plurality of playlist names;
selecting one of the plurality of playlist names;
sending at least one attribute of a playlist corresponding to the selected playlist name to a playlist server;
receiving a playlist from the playlist server, the received playlist corresponding to the at least one attribute and comprising a plurality of media item identifiers;
selecting at least one media item identifier from the received playlist;
sending information representative of the at least one media item identifier to a content server;
receiving a media item identified by the at least one media item identifier from the content server; and
playing the at least one media item.

36. (New) The method as recited in claim 35, wherein the displaying a plurality of playlist names comprises displaying a plurality of playlist names on a first device, the selecting one of the plurality of playlist names comprises selecting one of the plurality of playlist names on the first device, the sending at least one attribute comprises sending at least one attribute from the first device, the receiving a playlist from the playlist server comprises receiving on the first device a playlist from the playlist server, and playing the at least one media item comprises playing the at least one media item on the first device.

37. (New) The method as recited in claim 36, wherein the first device comprises one of a handheld portable device, a palmtop computer, an MP3 player, and a mobile phone.

38. (New) The method as recited in claim 36, wherein the first device comprises a remote control operative to control a second device.

39. (New) The method as recited in claim 36, wherein the first device comprises a remote control operative to control a second device and the second device comprises a media rendering device.

40. (New) The method as recited in claim 39, wherein the playing the at least one media item comprises playing the at least one media item on the second device.

41. (New) The method as recited in claim 40, further comprising adjusting at least one parameter on the second device from the first device selected from the group consisting of volume, tone, and balance.

42. (New) The method as recited in claim 35, wherein the displaying a plurality of playlist names comprises displaying a plurality of playlist names on a first device, the selecting one of the plurality of playlist names comprises selecting one of the plurality of playlist names on the first device, the sending at least one attribute comprises sending at least one attribute from the first device, the receiving a playlist from the playlist server comprises receiving on the first device a playlist from the playlist server, and the playing the at least one media item comprises playing the at least one media item on a second device.

43. (New) The method as recited in claim 35, wherein the displaying a plurality of playlist names comprises displaying a plurality of playlist names on a first device, selecting a second device from the first device, and the playing the at least one media item comprises playing the at least one media item on the second device.

44. (New) The method as recited in claim 35, wherein the sending at least one attribute of a playlist corresponding to the selected playlist name to a playlist server comprises sending at least one attribute selected from the group consisting of a type of music, a playlist name, an artist, an album, a song, an instrument, a record company, a region, a country, a state, a city, a school, a range of years, a genre, a search criteria, and an ethnicity.

45. (New) The method as recited in claim 35, wherein the selecting at least one media item identifier from the received playlist comprises selecting a plurality of media item identifiers from the received playlist in a first order, and the playing the at least one media item comprises playing a plurality of the at least one media item in the first order.

46. (New) The method as recited in claim 35, wherein the selecting at least one media item identifier from the received playlist comprises selecting a plurality of media item identifiers from the received playlist in a first order, and the playing the at least one media item comprises playing a plurality of the at least one media item in an order other than the first order.

47. (New) The method as recited in claim 35, further comprising automatically providing a recommendation of a playlist name based upon listening habits of a listener.

48. (New) A method for playing music, the method comprising:
obtaining a playlist on a first device over a network, the playlist comprising a plurality of song identifiers;
selecting a song identifier from the playlist;
obtaining a song identified by the song identifier on a second device over the Internet;
and
playing the song on the second device at the request of the first device.

49. (New) The method of claim 48, wherein the obtaining a song identified by the song identifier further comprises:
requesting the song identified by the song identifier from a content server; and
downloading the song from the content server.

50. (New) The method of claim 48, wherein the network comprises the Internet.

52. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising displaying the song identifiers on a display associated with the first device.

53. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising effecting a volume of the song on the second device from the first device.

54. (New) A device for playing a media item, the device comprising:
a display for displaying a list of playlist names and media item names and also for facilitating selection thereof;
a network transceiver for facilitating communication between the device and at least one second device on a network;
wherein the device is configured to facilitate:
displaying the list of playlist names on the display;
selecting one of the displayed playlist names;
sending at least one attribute of a playlist corresponding to the selected playlist name to a playlist server via the network transceiver;
receiving the playlist from the playlist server via the network transceiver, the received playlist corresponding to the at least one attribute;
selecting at least one media item name from the playlist;
sending information representative of the at least one media item name to a content server;
receiving a media item corresponding to the at least one media item name from the content server; and
playing the media item.

55. (New) A system for playing music, the system comprising:
a first device configured to display a plurality of names of playlists and a plurality of names of media items and to facilitate selection of at least one of the plurality of names of playlists and at least one of the plurality of names of media items;
a playlist server configured to receive at least one attribute of a playlist from the first device and to send a playlist corresponding to the at least one attribute to the first device;
a content server configured to receive information representative of at least one media item from the first device and to send a media item corresponding to the information to the first device; and

at least one second device configured to send an attribute of a playlist to the playlist server, to send information representative of a media item to the content server, to receive a playlist from the playlist server, and to receive a media item from the content server.